

# Heber Light and Power Manager Honored For Industry Contributions



Heber Light and Power Manager Ray Farrell (left) is presented with the ICPA Public Service Award from President Leon Bowler, honoring him for his contributions, dedication and commitment to public power.

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Heber Light and Power Manager Ray Farrell was recognized by his industry peers recently for his contributions to the public power industry. He was named the 1991 recipient of the Intermountain Consumer Power Association (ICPA) Public Service Award at the organization's annual meeting in Parowan. The award recognizes outstanding contributions, dedication, and commitment to public power.

Ray began his career with Heber Light and Power in 1959 and was named manager nine years later on Aug. 1, 1968. The power business has changed dramatically since then. Heber Light and Power's energy sales have increased about 70 percent since 1970, requiring investment in new facilities and power supply sources. Three new substations, a hydroelectric plant and natural-gas fired generators have been built under his direction to meet Heber Light and Power's growing needs.

In 1981, Heber Light and Power became part-owner of a coal-fired generating plant in Emery County. Two years ago the utility purchased a share of a 345,000 kilovolt transmission line running from western Colorado into the state of Utah, giving HL&P customers access to additional energy supplies. The power company also owns a portion of the Intermountain Power Project near Delta.

ICPA cited Farrell's commitment to service reliability as one of the reasons he was selected for the award. Power outages affecting other parts of the state hardly dim a light in Heber City, Midway, and Charleston because the utility's two hydro plants and new gas-fired units can supply virtually all their power needs. Without them, customers would have been in the dark last August when fire destroyed UP&L's transmission line in the west part of Heber Valley.

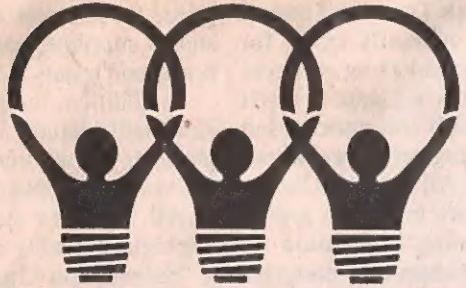
Farrell's colleagues also noted his active involvement in the public power organizations to which Heber Light and Power belongs. Besides serving on the board of directors of the Intermountain Consumer Power Association, he is a board member of Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems and Intermountain Power Agency. He has been an officer of ICPA for many years and chairman of the budget committee for the past two years.

"Ray is a genuine leader and stalwart of public power," said ICPA President Leon Bowler in presenting Farrell with the award. "He runs a first rate public power utility and has given generously of his time to serve public power organizations. He is a valued colleague and dear friend."

ICPA is a utility organization comprised of 37 consumer-owned electric power utilities in Utah, Nevada, and Arizona.

# Customers of Heber Light and Power To Celebrate Public Power Week, Aug. 8-15

WE'RE PUBLIC POWERFUL!



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"PUBLIC POWERful" theme set to focus attention on the benefits of public power.

Customers of Heber Light and Power will be celebrating the fact that their electricity comes from a community-owned, locally controlled utility during Utah Public Power Week, slated for Aug. 8-15. Heber's community celebration is set for Aug. 11 and will include a free customer "thank you" barbecue dinner in the Heber City Park, raffle of door prizes, and power bill credits of \$5, \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, and bucket truck rides.

Heber Power and Light is one of more than 2,000 public power systems in the United States that is owned by the people it serves. It was created in 1909 to give local citizens a voice in utility policies, provide adequate, reliable electric service at a reasonable cost, and provide proper protection of the environment. Today, Heber Light and Power serves approximately 4,000 customers.

"Our community-owned electric

utility does make all of us PUBLIC POWERful," said Ray Farrell, Heber Power and Light Power superintendent. "The special characteristics of public power — not-for-profit service, decision making by local citizens, and dedication to meeting broad community goals — help ensure a local long-term energy strategy that benefits Heber's utility consumer-owners," Farrell said.

To better promote the benefits of public power, and give local citizens an opportunity to get to know their utility, Heber Power and Light is sponsoring a community celebration free-of-charge for the entire family on Tuesday, Aug. 11 at Heber City Park from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A raffle of door prizes and power bills credits will be held. Customers can register for the raffle at the event and must be present to win.

Also attending the celebration will be the 120 cyclists participating in the sixth annual Pedal for Power Bicycle Tour of Utah. Pedal for Power is the centerpiece of

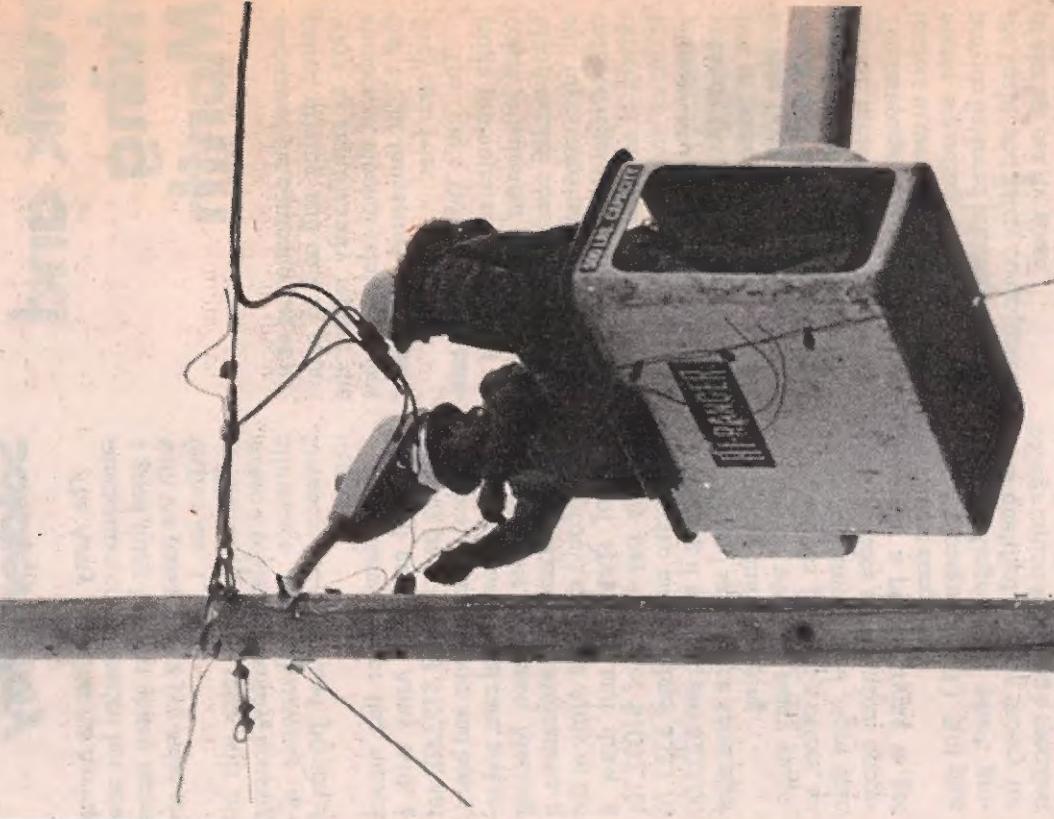
Utah's Public Power Week and attracts cyclists from all parts of the country. Beginning in Bountiful, cyclists will travel through many of the State's public power communities located throughout northern Utah and as far south as Mt. Pleasant. As they ride from community to community, they will collect local celebration proclamations and will deliver them to the Governor at the conclusion of the tour.

"All of these activities are designed to focus attention on the utility and the benefits of public power," Farrell said. "The community should be proud of its public power system and learn as much about it as possible. We hope that during Public Power Week, our customers will think about where their electricity comes from when they turn on the lights or turn off the television and enjoy the benefits of being "PUBLIC POWERful."

Customers of Heber Light and Power can contact Ray Farrell at 654-1581 for more information.

# Wallsburg News

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**Wallsburg Town Meeting:** Saturday, Dec. 5 agenda included discussion of a reciprocal agreement between Wallsburg and Wasatch County Fire District. President Wroten will meet with the Fire District Thursday Dec. 10, 7 p.m. and inform the council of the district discussion.

Mary Kay Dudley is asking for variance on property owned by her at 2600 W. Main Canyon Road. Dudley would add an addition on property now divided. Unable to attend the meeting, she will present her variance request to the council at their next meeting Jan. 2. The council tabled the motion until it is put on the next agenda.

EMT's asked for help with funding from the town go toward De-

fibrillators for the ambulance. They will be used to monitor heart conditions during emergencies. The council voted \$1,200 to go toward the purchase of the remanufactured defibrillators.

Water usage in the town by the church and other users brought about discussion of changing water rates for the next season. A progressive water usage fee, and moratorium on water hook-ups was topic. Also, if drought continues, the town may restrict water usage in 1993.

Wallsburg's "zone planning guide" expires in 1995. The council is looking for a new comprehensive plan. Recommendations for future development within the incorporated area will be explored. Presi-

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## Heber Light and Power tests water with electric plant

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HEBER CITY — A mini water treatment plant in a trailer spent a recent week next to the Lake Creek Heber Light and Power hydro electric plant, six miles east of Heber City, so the exact process for purifying the water discharged from the electric plant could be determined.

The power plant uses water from Witts Lake, in Timber

Lakes, to generate electricity. The water discharged from the power plant will be treated for culinary use by landowners in the Lake Creek Irrigation Co. service area by a water treatment module that is 35 times the size of the pilot plant.

The building that will house the module, a holding tank, and the main pipeline will cost about \$1.6 million. One module treats about 500,000 gallons of water per day and can provide culinary water, for about 600 average households.

Lake Creek irrigation water will continue to be used for outside watering.

Consultant Steve Sowby said a building about 60 by 80 feet will be built, with all the plumbing installed, and the first package plant, or module, will be brought to the site. Russ Wall, president of the Lake Creek Irrigation Co., said he hopes to have water in the main pipe by this fall. Additional modules can be added as needed, at the cost of about \$100,000 each.

The project originally was begun by the power company, but the power board decided not to continue because the treatment facility will be regulated by the state Public Service Commission. However, the irrigation company has picked up the project and will repay the power company for all its expenses.

Chris Peever, pilot plant engineer for Infilco Degremont, Richmond, Va., described the Lake Creek water as "pretty good, but

with high levels of solids because of turbidity."

He said the water is first treated with chemicals that react with whatever is in the untreated water, mainly to coagulate the solids in the water so they can be caught in filters. If needed, PH control chemicals, disinfectants, or oxidants can also be added. The water is then processed through two filters. Then the clean, clear water is stored for culinary use.

# Heber Light and Power turns over Lake Creek water treatment plant

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HEBER CITY — The Lake Creek water treatment plant that Heber Light and Power has been developing has been taken over by the Lake Creek Irrigation Co.

The power company planned to treat water from lakes in the Timber Lakes subdivision for culinary use in the Lake Creek area. But, on the advice of the Utah Department of Commerce, the power company board voted to cancel the project two weeks ago.

Dan W. Bagges, editor for the Division of Public Utilities Compliance and Water Section wrote, in a letter to Ray Farrell, HL & P manager, "It appears the Heber Light and Power would be subject to (Public Service) Commission regulation if it commences water service to customers outside the city limits without already providing water service within the city limits. There is some question as to

whether or not those customers outside a city's boundaries should be under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission but the question appears to be far from resolved."

Farrell said Heber City already provides water for its citizens, so the city could take over the Lake Creek project as part of its municipal system without being regulated by the commission. But, because the power company doesn't provide water in any of the cities that own it, and the water system is not being started in the cities, it would become a public utility.

"We don't want to have to be regulated by (the commission)," said Heber City Mayor Scott Wright, president of the power board. He said the power company isn't within the commission's jurisdiction now because it is a municipal utility that serves only people in the cities that own it, Heber, Midway and Charleston.

But, he said, the water studies that are underway to determine the feasibility of the project will be completed. The results of the study and all other documents relating to the project will be turned over to the water company, but Farrell said he will not be involved in any of the water company's plans. He said all the money the power company has spent so far will be paid off in full by the irrigation company.

Russ Wall, president of the irrigation company, said the company plans to pick up where the power company left off. As previously scheduled, a water treatment plant module has been trucked to the power company's Lake Creek hydro electric plant for a trial run.

The company will be regulated by the Public Service Commission, but Wall likes the idea. "That's great for the people. That ensures that they won't get overcharged," he said.